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**The Cato Institute invites you to a Policy Forum on Thursday, June 28, 2018**

# *NAACP v. Alabama* after 60 Years: Should Associational Privacy Still Be Protected by the Constitution?

featuring

**Bradley Smith**, Chairman and Founder, Institute for Free Speech and Josiah H. Blackmore II/Shirley M. Nault Professor of Law at Capital University Law School, Capital University

**Lawrence Noble**, former General Counsel, Federal Election Commission

moderated by

**John Samples**, Vice President, Cato Institute

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Sixty years ago, the United States Supreme Court decided the landmark case of *NAACP v. Alabama*. In 1956, as part of the civil rights struggle, the state of Alabama sought the membership lists of the NAACP chapter in that state. The Court ruled against the state and discerned a “vital relationship between freedom to associate and privacy in one’s associations.” The decision remains a high point from the civil rights era. However, many now deny the Court’s assertion that a broad right to privacy offers a vital protection for the freedom to associate and to speak.

Since the decision, the Court has placed few limits on government’s power to mandate disclosure of political activities and associations. As the new online era of speech dawns, the principles at stake in *NAACP v. Alabama* remain at the center of public debates. Is the right to associational privacy recognized in *NAACP v. Alabama* still good law? Or should the Court reconsider the tie between privacy and association? Please join us

## EVENT INFORMATION

**Date:** June 28, 2018

**Time:** 12:00PM - 1:30PM  
(Luncheon to follow)

**Cost:** Free of charge

**Location:** Cato Institute  
1000 Massachusetts Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20001 ([map](#))

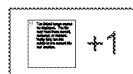
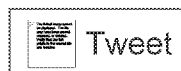
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